GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SECURITY STRENGTH IN J & K
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to review the strength of security forces in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of the action plan of the Government in regard to the security scenario in the State?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)& (b): Review of the strength of security forces in J &K is a continuous process and the actual quantum of forces at a particular time depends on the availability of forces and the prevailing overall security environment. Keeping in view these constraints, Central Security forces are made available to the Government of J&K to assist them in tackling the problem of terrorism.

(c): The action plan 1998 lays stress upon the following:

(i) Curbing infiltration;

(ii) Countering militancy in the hinterland;

(iii) Portection of minorities;

(iv) Tackling alienation of the border population;

(v) Enhancing intelligence capabilities;

(vi) Demolishing pro-secessionist base;

(vii) Greater functional integration through the framework of Operations and Intelligence Groups at Unified Hd. Qrs and field levels; and

(viii) Improved technology , weapons and equipment for security forces.